IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:		Group Art Unit:	2856
ZIPPARO et al.)	Examiner:	Nashmiya S. Fayyaz
Serial No.:	10/678,483	AMEND	MENT AND RESPONSE
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Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to address the Office Action having a mailing date of December 19, 2006.

Although the Applicant believes that no fees are due for entry of this Amendment and Response, please charge any fees deemed necessary to Deposit Account No. 50-1419.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this communication.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.